

# **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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August 18, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

REJECT BIDS
PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000835
PROJECT NO. 64, EASTERN AVENUE STORM DRAIN
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1
3 VOTES

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Reject all bids received on June 9, 2005, for Project ID No. FCC0000835, Project No. 64, Eastern Avenue Storm Drain, in the City of Los Angeles - El Sereno (1).

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On June 9, 2005, eight bids were received for this contract; however, the lowest bidder requested to be relieved because of a clerical error, which we have verified. The next lowest responsive and responsible bid was 48 percent above the engineer's estimate.

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We have evaluated the remaining bids which were all significantly above the engineer's estimate and believe it is in the best interest of the County to reject all bids and to readvertise the project later this year.

A certified record of receipt of the bid and the original bid proposal as submitted by the bidder are enclosed.

#### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goals of Service Excellence and Fiscal Responsibility since it will allow Public Works to rebid this project in the future resulting in more competitive bids.

## FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The cost to readvertise this project will be minimal.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The "Instructions to Bidders" included in the bid documents provides for the rejection of all bids by your Board if such action is in the best interest of the County.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This action has no environmental impact.

# IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The delay in constructing this project will have little or no long-term impact on current services.

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# **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office **County Counsel** Office of Affirmative Action Compliance